



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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At its meeting held April 22, 2008, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Burke and Yaroslavsky:

“The first Earth Day on April 22, 1970 thrust the environment onto the National agenda. Thirty-eight years later, as we continue to experience a steady decline in natural resources such as water and oil, and face the increasing threats of pollution and global warming, Earth Day provides an opportunity to broaden the base of support for environmental programs, rekindle public commitment and build community activism around the world.

“Throughout Los Angeles County, individuals are committed to putting that pledge into practice. Our residents, businesses, nonprofits, community groups and neighboring cities are diligently developing and employing innovative strategies and initiatives to enhance our environmental sustainability. While awards exist to identify accomplishments in specific areas, such as green buildings, recycling and water programs, there is no integrated mechanism for highlighting the individuals and organizations who act as stewards in greening our environment.

“The Board of Supervisors has the opportunity to showcase the diverse local achievements occurring in all 88 cities and unincorporated areas through a ‘Green Leadership Award’. The award would include quarterly recognition at Board meetings, exhibition on the County website and County Digest, as well as potential promotion through media partnerships.

“A ‘Green Leadership Award’ will be instrumental in fostering a sustained dialogue on the environment, and will create a frequent opportunity to engage and inspire our constituents on the simple strategies they can adopt to make every day Earth Day in Los Angeles County.”

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Chief Executive Officer, in coordination with the Acting Director of Public Works, was instructed to report back to the Board within 60 days on the implementation of a "Green Leadership Award," as a way to showcase individuals and organizations who act as stewards in greening our environment, and include a nomination and selection process, budget, promotional plan, potential opportunities for soliciting private partnerships, and a recommendation on the earliest award date.

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